

MONTICELLO COMPOSITE SQUADRON CIVIL AIR PATROL VIRGINIA WING

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AUXILIARY

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VA091 PROCEDURE TO SCHEDULE POWERED CADET O-RIDES (effective Aug. 1, 2008)

CAP provides 5 fully-funded power orientation (O-ride) flights for cadets. Monticello Composite squadron strongly encourages our cadets to take full advantage of this opportunity to experience flight in a safe and structured environment. The syllabus for both powered and glider orientation flights is described in CAPP 52-7. Cadets and their parents are encouraged to download this pamphlet at: http://level2.cap.gov/visitors/member-services/publications/pamphlets.cfm

VA091 typically conducts powered O-rides out of the Charlottesville-Albemarle Regional airport (CHO).

To facilitate scheduling an O-ride, cadets and their parents should do the following:

- 1. Cadets should first check on e-services to determine how many powered O-rides they have already completed. The cadet should inform the pilot which O-ride they are scheduling as each of the 5 O-rides has a distinct syllabus and set of objectives. (The pilot will independently verify the correct flight) Cadets can take an unlimited number of free "backseat" rides while other cadets are taking their "official front seat" O-rides. Cadets seeking these additional rides should just contact one of the O-ride pilots as noted below to find out when an O-ride is being scheduled.
- 2. Cadets should schedule their O-ride by emailing any one of VA091's cadet O-ride pilots at least 48 hours before the anticipated flight. This enables the pilot to obtain the necessary flight release and to reserve the aircraft. Cadets should verify and confirm potential O-ride dates & times with their parents BEFORE contacting a pilot. If the pilot is available, you will be contacted by return email. If the first pilot you contact has a schedule conflict, feel free to contact another one. In any case, do not go to the airport until you have received a confirmation email from the pilot that the O-ride has been scheduled for a specific date and time. In general, a typical O-ride flight lasts 1 hour preceded by ~ 30' of ground instruction and preflight preparation and typically an additional 30' to park, secure and refuel the aircraft and complete the necessary documents afterwards. Parents should therefore anticipate requiring ~2 hours to accommodate the entire O-ride. Cadets should provide both email and phone contact information to the pilot to facilitate communication in the event that a flight must be rescheduled or cancelled, even at the last minute (for example due to weather). Parents should remain with the cadet until the pilot arrives and make arrangements to pick up the cadet after the flight. Under normal circumstances, pilots will not provide ground transportation for cadets.
- 3. Cadets should arrive at the general aviation terminal (south of the commercial passenger terminal building) about 10' before the scheduled flight. Parents will have the opportunity to preflight the aircraft with the pilot and cadet if interested. Cadets MUST be properly attired in any cadet uniform prescribed by CAPM 39-1, with BDUs strongly recommended. Cadets MUST bring their CAP ID card. Cadets who are improperly attired or do not have their CAP ID card in their possession will not be allowed to fly under any circumstances.
- 4. Cadets are encouraged to bring bottled water (generally available for free inside the general aviation terminal) & a camera to take aerial pictures. Cadets should typically have eaten a light snack or meal a few hours before flying. Don't fly on a empty stomach, but don't eat a big meal either. The aircraft are not air-conditioned & even at 2,000-3,000 feet, it's warm during the summer.

Current Cadet O-ride pilots & general preferences for flying times/dates are:

Lt. Col. David Duncan (weekday afternoons after 4, especially Fridays) duncan@comcast.net

Capt. Larry Randall (weekday mornings) larryrandall@hotmail.com

1 Lt. Mike Wormington (weekday afternoons after 4, Sat. AM, Sun. PM some weekday mornings)